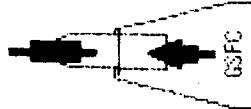


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NETWORK OPERATING SYSTEM

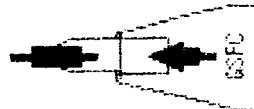
SHORT TERM OBJECTIVE

IS TO DEVELOP A PROTOTYPE NETWORK OPERATING SYSTEM
FOR A 100 MEGABIT / SECOND FIBER OPTIC DATA BUS.

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IMPORTANT TO SPACE STATION BECAUSE

CUSTOMER INTERFACE SOFTWARE NEEDS TO
BE DEVELOPED TO SUPPORT A LARGE NUMBER
OF INDEPENDENTLY OPERATED INSTRUMENTS
AND PAYLOADS



LONG TERM OBJECTIVE

IS TO ESTABLISH GUIDELINES FOR WRITING A
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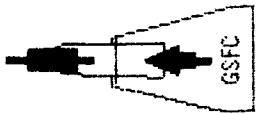
TO BE STUDIED :

- IMPLEMENTATION OF ISO / OSI STANDARD
- BUS ARBITRATION EFFICIENCY
- REMOTE DIAGNOSTICS
- RELIABILITY
- NOISE SENSITIVITY
- ERROR DETECTION AND HANDLING



GSFC APPROACH TO DEVELOPING AN NOS :

- AN NOS STATE—OF THE—ART STUDY
- AN RFP FOR A PROTOTYPE NOS



COMMERCIALLY AVAILABLE SYSTEMS

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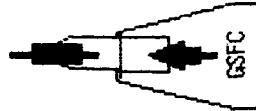
UNIVERSE_NET BY CHARLES RIVER DATA SYSTEMS

NFS BY SUN MICROSYSTEMS

IBM-PC BASED

NET/ONE BY UNGERMANN-BASS

NETWARE BY NOVELL, INC.



MAJOR MILESTONES

- * STATE OF THE ART STUDY REPORT 5/85
- * AWARD OF PROTOTYPE NOS (COMPETED) CONTRACT 7/85
- * SOFTWARE REQUIREMENTS REVIEW 9/85
- * PRELIMINARY DESIGN REVIEW 1/86
- * CRITICAL DESIGN REVIEW 7/86
- * DELIVERY OF PROTOTYPE NOS 12/86

